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Chief Clerk and Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Amended Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Approval of
Proposed Pension Costs Rider
Docket No. 2010-387-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

This is to acknowledge that the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has reviewed the filing made on February 24, 2011 in the above referenced docket and has no objection to Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's Amended Application for Approval of Proposed Pension Costs Rider. The Company's pension costs rider in the Amended Application is derived from and is consistent with the methodology approved in Docket No. 2009-226-E.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide our comments in this matter.

Sincerely,

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